

Greatest of all Cash Sales

AT F. L. MILLER'S

Will begin Wednesday January 2nd 1907. Offering bargains in every department. And as is our custom we will make this one of the BARGAINS events of the year. Space will not permit to quote prices on every article in the BIG STORE. But will remind you that it is a genuine sale. And everything goes at reduced prices.

DRY GOODS

10c Outing Flannel at.....	8 1/2c
12 1/2c do do	10c
1 lot colored dress goods	25
1 lot do do	35
1 lot \$1 do	60
54 in navy and green homespun	45
54 in blue ladies clothe	45
15c silkoleen	10
12 1/2c do	00
Extra heavy mixed shirting 20c grades goes at 12c	

Men and Boys Clothing

\$10 mens suits reduced.....	\$ 7 95
\$15 do do	\$12.00
\$16.50 do do	\$13.25
\$20.00 do do	\$16.00
\$2.50 boys suits reduced to.....	\$ 1.95
\$3.00 do	\$2.25
\$3.50 do	\$2.95
\$4.50 do	\$3.45

Youths clothing is included in this sale

20 yards good calico \$1:00

Extra on Table Linen and Napkins

THE GREAT KLAMATH BASIN

Of Southern Oregon and Northern California
Is a country of wonderful resources now being rapidly developed by the government's irrigation system and by railroad building.

The Klamath Reclamation Project,

Undertaken by the United States involves the expenditure of about Five Million Dollars. It comprises two distinct systems—the Lower Project, now building, of which Klamath Falls is the distributing point, and

The Upper Klamath Project

Of which Bonanza is the Metropolis. The government has announced that work on the Upper Project will begin as soon as possible in the Spring of 1907.

This means that

Bonanza

will grow as Klamath Falls has grown; that a million dollars paid as wages to government laborers will be spent in Bonanza; that 65,000 acres tributary to Bonanza, will be brought under irrigation and farmed in small holdings. Bonanza has other important resources—vast pine forests; an empire of dry-farming and grazing lands; great springs of pure water.

Bowne Addition

is practically Bonanza. The original townsite consists of but a few blocks.

The Bonanza Improvement Company

Owns Bowne Addition, much of the original townsite and 2500 acres of farming land surrounding the town. To raise money for important improvements it is offering lots, for a short time at very low prices.

F. H. Thompson, the company's agent will visit Corvallis in a few days.

Bonanza Improvement Company.

Roy Hamaker, Vice President,

H. L. Holgate, Secretary.

Klamath Falls, Oregon.

NEW ADS TODAY.

FOUND A ladies empty purse of kid material was found on Madison street Saturday morning and left with the Times. Owner please call for same.

—Every body come out to the M. W. A. Box Social at the Odd Fellows Hall on Sat. Evening Jan. 26 07. Given by the M. W. A. lodge.

NOTICE. I will pay the highest Market price in cash for Poultry, hogs, veal calves etc. at Bolden's grocery store corner Second & Monroe streets opposite Corvallis Hotel. Your cash is always ready and a square deal guaranteed to all. Thos. Boulden.

WANTED.

GIRL WANTED at Cauthorn Hall to assist in dining room and kitchen. Apply at the hall.

WANTED. Two more car loads of vetch seed for Spring delivery. vetch hay. For sale or trade a 6 year old horse, clean clover seeds, and all kinds of farm seeds. see samples at Welscher & Gray's store. L. L. Brooks.

LOST.

LOST—A child's gold seal ring engraved with the letter I. Finder please leave at Times office.

REAL ESTATE

We have opened an office over the First National Bank, where we are prepared to handle all kinds of City property for sale also good farms, stock ranches, small tracts, near the City. If you can't find what you want come in and see us, and talk it over. McHenry & price. Corvallis, Oregon.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE a good flock of sheep, 105 ewes 40 yearlings the rest are 2 and 3 years old price is \$5.75 per head. C. Minatti. Ind. phone, Alesa, Oregon.

FOR SALE. A windmill, tower and 2500 gallon redwood tank. Inquire at Corvallis sawmill.

FOR SALE mill and timber, sawmill and 80 acres fine timber for sale. Easy terms. Inquire E. F. Tottan. R. 2 Corvallis, Oregon.

BEST BREAD and pastry can be obtained at Starr's Bakery.

Notice of Eighth Grade Examinations.

Notice is hereby given that the eighth grade examinations, in and for Benton county, Oregon, for the year 1907, will be held on the following dates: (1) January 24, 25; (2) May 16, 17; (3) June 13, 14. As the law permits only three examinations to be held in any county within the state, during any given year, the above dates have been decided upon as best suited for our county. Any teacher desiring questions for any of the above examinations, for pupils who have been duly certified to as having completed all the work prescribed by the state course of study, must give the county school superintendent at least one month's notice for the said questions.

Programme of Examinations.

Thursday—Arithmetic, writing, history and civil government.
Friday—Grammar, physiology, geography and spelling.
The work is to begin promptly at 9 o'clock A. M. on Thursday, and close at 4 o'clock P. M. Friday.

Source of Questions.

Geography—State course of study, the course print in Fry's geography (elementary); map questions in both course and fine print in same book.
Spelling—80 per cent from miscellaneous test words in Reed's Word Lessons, and 20 per cent from manuscripts.
Writing—Specimens of penmanship as indicated in copied matter and manuscripts.
Language—Reed's Graded Lessons in English, no diagraming.
Civil Government—United States Constitution.
History—List of topics from History Outline in state course and current events Dated this 8th day of January, 1907.
GEO. W. DENMAN,
County School Sup't.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of John A. Fisher, deceased, by the county court of Benton county, Oregon. All persons having claims against the estate of John A. Fisher, deceased, are hereby required to present the same with proper vouchers therefor, duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date hereof, to the undersigned at her residence in Corvallis, Oregon, or at the office of McFadden & Bryson, attorneys, in the postoffice building, Corvallis, Oregon.
Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, this 8th day of January, 1907.
LENA C. RABER,
Executrix of the last will and testament of John A. Fisher deceased.

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton county.
In the Matter of the Estate of
LEONA H. McNULTY, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as executrix of the estate of James C. Taylor, deceased, has filed the final account of said James C. Taylor, as executor of the estate of Leona H. McNulty, deceased, with the clerk of the above entitled court and that said court has fixed and appointed Saturday, the 5th day of February, 1907, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day and the county judge's office in the county court house, in Corvallis, in said Benton county, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections, if any, to said account and settlement thereof. All persons interested and desiring to object to said account are notified to appear and file their objections in writing thereto at said time and place.
Dated this 11th day of January, 1907.
LILLIAN B. TAYLOR,
As executrix of the estate of James C. Taylor, deceased, executor of the estate of Leona H. McNulty, deceased.

THE NEW POST OFFICE

Complete in all Details—Inspection by Business Men—Postoffice Statistics and History.

Yesterday morning at 10 o'clock the new Corvallis postoffice was thrown open by Postmaster Johnson for inspection by the public and Corvallis business men generally and others took advantage of the courtesy extended. Postmaster Johnson was present and was industrious and painstaking in explaining the uses and advantages of the up-to-date fixtures installed, showing considerable pride in the new possessions over which he is to preside, and the visitors seemed to fully share his interest in what is creditable alike to the city and county.

Lobby and Connections.

The dimensions of the room in which the postoffice is installed is 34 by 75 feet. The front door admits the public to the lobby, the floor of which is of maple. At the left of the entrance is the postmaster's private office fully equipped for comfort and the dispatch of such business as requires his personal attention. Adjoining this toward the rear is an apartment suitably furnished for the discharge of business relating to stamps money orders and registry. From this there are two windows opening upon the lobby. Next to these the general delivery window, followed by a large section of combination lock boxes and a section occupied by drops for letters, papers and packages. Extending further on and transversely are sections of combination and key lock boxes and lastly a carriers' window and a door leading to the rear apartments. In all there are 472 boxes which may be rented to patrons of the office. The highest number on any box is 677, but it should be explained that numbers ending in the figures 0 and 9 are omitted. Otherwise the boxes are numbered consecutively from top to bottom. It is deemed more convenient for all numbers, on any given transverse row to end with the same figure and for those on any perpendicular row to begin with the same figure. This arrangement, if the figures 0 and 9 were used at the end and beginning of numbers, would render the box sections too high or too low for convenience in instances in which boxes of the present size are used. The lobby screen is of quarter-sawed oak.

Furniture.

Not any of the old office furniture and fixtures is to be placed in the new office. That installed is what is generally recognized as the most convenient for a postoffice of this class and there appears to be nothing further to be desired for the expeditious handling of the mails. There is a long list of furniture and fixtures much of which is quarter sawed oak. There are numerous desks, tables, stands, cases, office chairs, high revolving chairs, bulletin boards. A Hall safe 36 x 58 x 59 inches in size and weighing 5200 pounds is among the articles of furniture with which the office is supplied. This safe is constructed and adapted especially for postoffice use. Since postmasters are not allowed by the department, except by special permission, to place postoffice funds in banks, it is evident that a strong safe is a desirable safeguard for the postmaster. The entire equipment is provided by A. J. Johnson, lessor of the building.

Recent Growth of Business.

The growth of the business at the Corvallis postoffice is indicated by the figures below:
During the year ending Dec. 31, 1896, the postal revenues were, \$4397.47.
During the year ending Dec. 31, 1906, the postal revenues were, \$9141.02.
The gain in the ten years for postal revenues was 108 per cent.
During the year ending Dec. 31, 1896, sixty-six letters were received for special delivery, and during the year ending Dec. 31, 1906, 184 letters were received for special delivery.
The box receipts for 1896 were \$487.50 and for 1906, \$806.05.
During 1896, 3358 money orders were issued and, during the past year, 7095.
The increase for the past three months compared with a similar period of last year shows a gain of 17 per cent. The figures are as follows:
Quarter ending Dec. 31, 1905, \$2383.42.
Quarter ending Dec. 31, 1906, \$2786.55.
Ten years ago only three mails were received and dispatched daily and the office was not open on Sunday, no mails being received or dispatched on that day, and ten years ago the mails were all received and dispatched between the hours of 11:30 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Now the first dispatch of mail occurs at 6 a. m. and the last mail to arrive is at 9 p. m. Now we have forty-five mails a week where only eighteen were received ten years ago.
Ten years ago two persons could easily handle the work of the office and aside from John Lenger, who was the mail messenger, there were no other employees connected with the mail service of this city. At that time there were no star routes and no Rural Delivery routes out of this office. Today there are two Star routes, one in operation between Corvallis and Philomath and the other between Corvallis and Monroe. There are four Rural Delivery routes now in operation, supplying about fifteen hundred rural residents.

Smith's residence. This building formerly stood on the site of the Ray brick, now occupied by Harlan & Schwinger. Other postmasters kept the office in a wood building, afterward burned down, at the southeast corner of Second & Monroe streets. Hanna had the office in what is now Graham & Wells store. Woodward kept the office in his drug store then occupying the Fisher brick next to the corner. Barber kept it in a wood building which was displaced by the Kline brick, now occupied by John Allen. He later moved to the Phile building now occupied by M. M. Long. Mrs. Helm purchased the postoffice fixtures now to be displaced and moved into the new Fisher brick. Succeeding postmasters have occupied the same apartments up to this morning.

Personnel of Office Force.
The personnel of the force employed in and out of the Corvallis postoffice is as follows:
Postmaster—B. W. Johnson.
Asst. Postmaster—Lillian H. Johnson.
General Delivery Clerk—Walter R. Corbett.
Mailing Clerk—James A. Cooper.
Carrier R. F. D. No. 1—C. W. LeVee.
Carrier R. F. D. No. 3—O. B. Conner.
Carrier R. F. D. No. 4—Ralph H. Metcalf.
Mail Messenger—John Lenger.
Mail Carrier Corvallis-Philomath Star Route—Frank Bullis.
Mail Carrier Corvallis-Monroe Star Route—J. H. Read.
Mail Clerks Portland and Corvallis Railway P. O.—D. N. Burwell, Pierce McCleskey, Lazarus V. King.

Historical Notes.

The history of the Corvallis postoffice runs back to the year 1850, when "it cost ten cents to send a letter back to Missouri" as a pioneer stated the case yesterday morning. Avery was the name of the first postoffice established here, and J. C. Avery was the first postmaster. That was in January, 1850. In September of the same year, the name of the postoffice was changed to Marysville, and Alfred Rinehart became postmaster. At the time it was changed to Corvallis in 1854, J. C. Avery was postmaster. Below is given a list of all postmasters who have served here and the date of appointment:
J. C. Avery, Jan. 8, 1850.
Alfred Rinehart, Sept. 9, 1850.
J. C. Avery, Mar. 14, 1851.
Wayman St. Clair, Nov. 5, 1851.
Geo. H. Murch, Jan. 7, 1853.
J. C. Avery, June 7, 1853.
J. C. Avery, Feb. 18, 1854.
Wm. Wilson, Aug. 16, 1854.
James H. Slater, June 28, 1855.
George E. Cole, Nov. 28, 1857.
Matthew H. Bell, Oct. 4, 1858.
Luther Doolittle, Dec. 13, 1861.
Elias Kingsley, June 13, 1861.
Geo. Mercer, Nov. 11, 1861.
John W. Souther, June 10, 1862.
W. A. K. Mellen, Jan. 4, 1864.
Robert M. Thompson, Oct. 1865.
Wallace Baldwin, July 6, 1868.
George Mercer, Mar. 20, 1871.
Joseph A. Hanna, June 4, 1862.
Elias Woodward, May 7, 1875.
Newton R. Barber, May 25, 1876.
Frank A. Helm, Jan. 30, 1888.
Chas. E. Moore, Feb. 8, 1892.
Robert Johnson, Aug. 11, 1894.
Burtis W. Johnson, Jan. 10, 1898.

Some Former P. O. Locations.

The first postoffice in what is now Corvallis, was kept in a log house on the present site of Mrs. Martha Avery's home near Mary's river bridge, J. C. Avery as stated, being the postmaster. When Alfred Rinehart took charge he moved the office to a hotel which stood on the present site of the Franklin foundry. Upon Mr. Avery's re-appointment it was moved across the street westward where Mr. Avery had in the meantime erected a sawed lumber store, and Judge Holgate, then a young man became his deputy.
In those early days, there was a struggle for supremacy between parties interested in what is now the upper part of Corvallis and those wishing to boom the lower part, and the location of the postoffice was regarded as important matter, even as it is up to the present time. Wayman St. Clair, who was interested in the lower end, was appointed at the close of Avery's second term, and the office was conducted in Messrs. St. Clair & Hartless store, which was located near the present ferry landing. The office was kept there a little more than two years, when the upper-enders succeeded in taking it back to the Avery store. In late years the office has oscillated between points in the four blocks recognized as the business center. Mr. Souther kept the office in what is now a part of the Occidental hotel. R. M. Thompson had it in the building now located back of J. R.

LOCAL LORE.
For advertisements in this column the rate of 15 cents per line will be charged.

LOCAL LORE.

—Miss Juanita Rosendo holds a legislature clerkship under A. J. Johnson.

—Misses Eda and Sarah Jacobs and Miss Carrie Danneman returned from Salem Wednesday evening.

—Rev. Gibbs, pastor of the M. E. church South, will preach next Sunday on the following subjects: 11 a. m. "The Christian Soldier" 7:30 p. m. "Overcomers and Their Reward."

—The OAC girls play their hardest basket ball game of the season Friday evening. It will be with the Chemawa girls. The latter was the only team that defeated the OAC girls last year.

—John Withycombe, reading clerk of the house, arrived Wednesday night from Salem to remain until Monday morning, pending the legislative adjournment. In the race for the position Mr. Withycombe holds, he received 48 votes, G. O. Holman, 8, and a third candidate, 2.

—The lowest temperature in the recent cold snap, according to the college weather bureau, was on the 15th, when the thermometer registered seven above. This is the lowest temperature registered at the college since February 1st, 1899, when the thermometer fell to two degrees above zero.

PROMISED BETTER LIGHTS.

When Franchise was Granted—Talk About a Municipal Light Plant.

When the 30 years' franchise was given the Willamette Valley Company, the superintendent of the corporation definitely stated to members of the council and the council committee that the 25 candle power street lights, as soon as the corporation assumed control would be equal to 50 candle power lights. In fact, a very similar statement to that was made on the floor of the council the night the long franchise was granted. All the members of the city council had a well defined idea, which was given them by Manager Welch and his agents, that the light service in Corvallis was to be much better than under the Porter regime. Nobody hinted or suggested that the lights would be of the character that they are now. Had there been such suggestion or surmise, the council would hardly have granted a franchise. The council was not justified in granting so long a franchise, but it is to be said in justification of that body that 'fair and glittering promises of better lights had much to do with leading the members into the grave mistake that has been made.

There has been comment pro and con, on the resolution with reference to an issue of bonds and the city ownership and control of a light plant. The resolution was introduced by Councilman Irvine, and the only one against it was Prof. Holmes. There is talk to the effect that in some houses the lights are better than in others, but as to this the TIMES is unable to say.

A fact that the TIMES can vouch for however, is that it was the council by grant of the long franchise that brought the light monopoly into this town, and it is the council that the people must look to for deliverance from the present inferior light service.

Mr. J. Mon Foo, an experienced compounder of Chinese medicines, successor to the late Hong Wo Tong, of Albany, Oregon, is now prepared to furnish Chinese medicine to all. The undersigned recommends him and guarantees satisfaction.

Call or write him at No. 117 West Second Street, Albany, Oregon.
Jim Westfall.